

**NATURE TRAILS MAP
TOWNSHIP OF CEDAR GROVE
ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Township of Cedar Grove Trails System

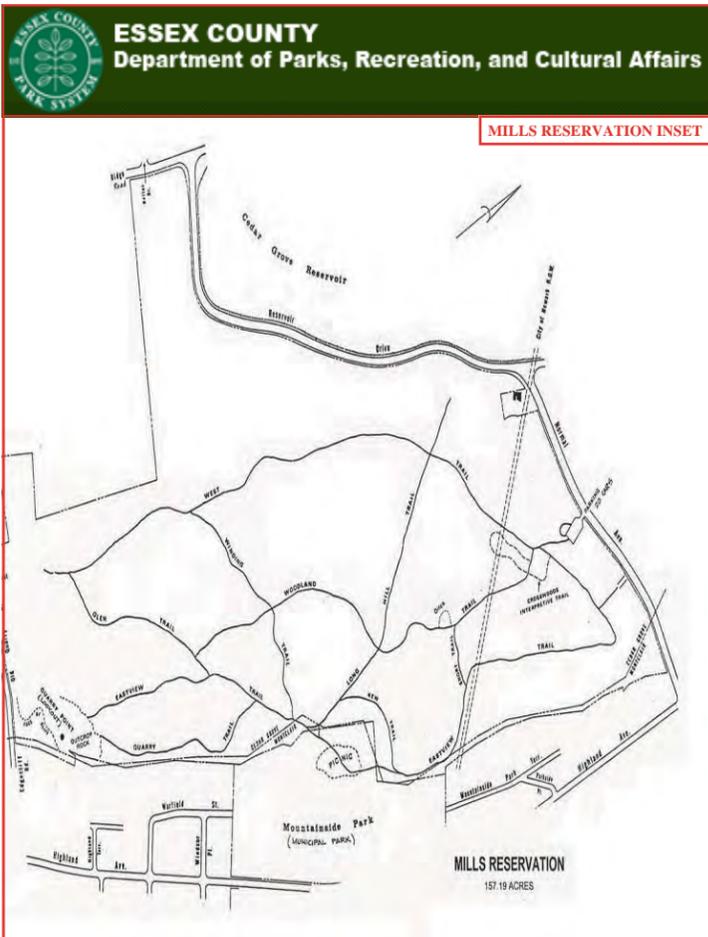
The Lenape Trail

The main route of the Lenape Trail through Essex County is about thirty miles, extending from downtown Newark to the Passaic River Bridge spanning between Roseland and East Hanover. There are about eleven extra miles of side trails. Completed and proposed sections of the trail route are in county and municipal parks, rights-of-way, private land and sidewalks. Sections of the Lenape Trail will ultimately be co-aligned with the Liberty-Water Gap Trail slated to span Northern New Jersey from Liberty State Park in Jersey City to the Delaware Water Gap. The trail is marked with yellow blazes.

Hilltop Reservation

Hilltop Reservation is 284.16 acres located in Cedar Grove, Verona, and North Caldwell. It is composed of lands formerly included in the grounds of the Essex County Hospital Center. The land was designated a Conservation Easement in 2001 by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, which was permanently dedicated for conservation and recreation purposes. Additional acreage was dedicated in 2003. The reservation is a great place for people who are interested in bird watching. Some of the many birds that can be seen are hawks, doves, woodpeckers, thrushes, and warblers.

The Hilltop Reservation map was provided by the Hilltop Conservancy. Visit their website at www.hilltopconservancy.org for more information about events, projects, and flora and fauna that can be observed at the reservation.



Designed by the Cedar Grove Environmental Commission
www.cedargrovenj.org



Sources: Essex County Parks Dept., Hilltop Conservancy, Esri, DeLorme, NAVTEQ, Intermap, iPC, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Ordnance Survey, METI, and the GIS

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The West Essex Trail / 1890 Branch

The West Essex Trail is an Essex County linear park, situated on the former right-of-way of the Caldwell Branch of the old Erie-Lackawanna Railroad in Verona and Cedar Grove. This 2.84-mile trail was acquired in 1985 through Green Acre funding and runs near the Lenape Trail, southwest through the Cedar Grove Community Park by the Peckman River, across Pompton Avenue, Durrell Street, Fairview Avenue and ending at Arnold Way.

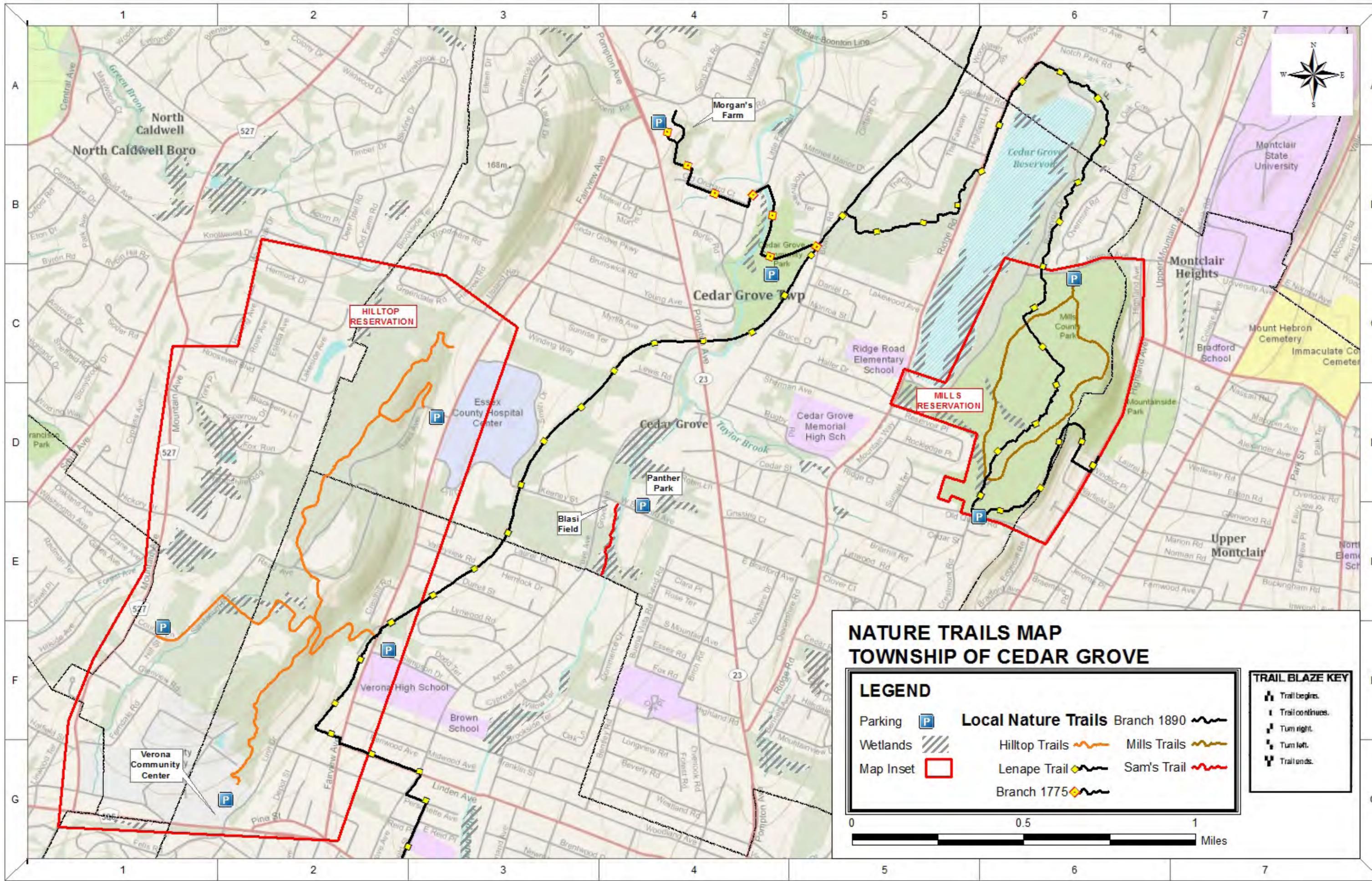
1775 Branch

This branch begins in the colonial cemetery at Morgan's Farm at Pompton Avenue, loops around the farm property, follows Old Orchard Court and Little Falls Road, traverses the Cedar Grove Community Park and connects to the Lenape Trail / West Essex Trail. The trail is marked with yellow blazes with a red dot at the center of the blaze.

Mills Reservation

Mills Reservation is 157.15 acres located in Cedar Grove and Montclair. The Parks Commission received 118.9 acres as a gift from the Davella Mills Foundation in 1954 and acquired additional acreage through a land-swap deal for property in Branch Brook Park which went to Newark's Barringer High School. Additional land purchases completed the reservation in 1962 and 1967. This land was preserved in its natural state as a stipulation for the original gift. The only development undertaken on this reservation was a small parking area and system of walking trails. The outcrop at Quarry Point provides a scenic lookout and is a great observation area for viewing migratory birds, such as warblers in the spring and hawks in the fall.

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LEGEND		TRAIL BLAZE KEY	
Parking		Trail begins	
Wetlands		Trail continues	
Map Inset		Turn right	
		Turn left	
		Trail ends	
Local Nature Trails		Branch 1890	
		Hilltop Trails	
		Mills Trails	
		Lenape Trail	
		Sam's Trail	
		Branch 1775	

